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**Unité 3 – Home Sweet Home**

***Réflexions d’un blogueur français sur les différences entre***

***les maisons américaines et les maisons françaises***

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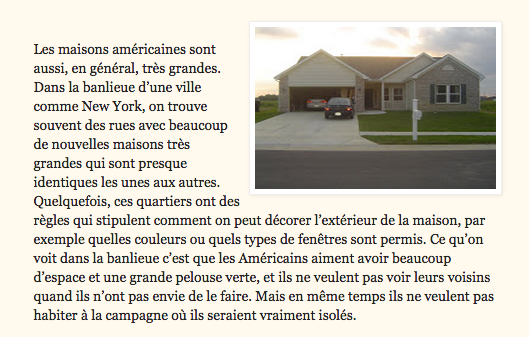
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***I. Find in the article the French word/expression that best expresses the meaning of the following English words:***

**1. made of wood *faites de bois***

**2. a younger country  *pays plus jeunes***

**3. built in districts: *construits dans les quartiers***

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**4. in the suburbs *dans les banlieues***

**5. rules that specify *des règles qui stipulent***

**6. grass *pelouse verte***

**7. neighbors *les voisins***

**8. secluded *isolés***

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**9. un sink and a shower *un lavabo et une douche***

**10. a toilet *une toilette***

**11. the size *La grandeur***

**12. the neighborhoods *les voisinages***

***II. Main idea: Using information from the article, describe in English the main purpose of this article.***

***Comparison of American houses and European houses. We learned that American houses are usually bigger and newer, made of wood with a yard.***

***Houses are really different***

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***III. Supporting details:***

* ***Circle the letter of each of the following details in the article that are included in the text.***
* ***Write the letter of that idea next to where it appears in the text.***
* ***Write the information that is given in the article in the space provided next to the detail below.***

**A. Houses in the USA are rarely more than 200 years old because the USA is a younger country than those in Europe.**

***Puisque c’est un pays beaucoup plus jeunes…normalement les maisons les plus vieilles n’ont pas plus de 200 ANS***

**B. Materials used to build houses in France and the USA are similar.**

***Une autre difference c’est qu’aux Etats-Unis, surtout dans le nord est …les maisons sont faites en bois***

**C. One can often find houses that are cookie cutter -like in the suburbs.**

***Dans les banlieues, on trouve des rues avec des nouvelles maisons… Presque identiques***

**D. Sometimes neighborhoods demand that houses be painted a certain way.**

***Quelques fois ces quartiers ont des règles qui stipulent …quelle couleur***

**E. Toilets are always separated from the sinks and bathtubs in the USA.**

***Mais jamais un WC tout seul***

**IV. Inferences: *“Read between the lines” to answer the following questions, using information from the text. Your responses should be in English.***

**Why is it paradoxical that many Americans don’t like to be too isolated?**

**They want to have a yard and not see their neighbors but don’t want to live in the country side and be to secluded**

**Where will you be able to read this article? On a blog about …..???????**

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**Who will be reading it ?**

**Response will vary - People who want to learn or move to the USA**

**Basez-vous sur la description dans le texte et encerclez les maisons américaines ci-dessous:**

**1.  2.  3. **

**4.  5.  6.**